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House Bill 412

By: Representative Ehrhart of the 36th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To amend Chapter 1 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
- 2 general provisions regarding elections, so as to provide for the composition and number of
- 3 congressional districts; to provide for election of members of Congress; to provide when
- 4 such members shall take office; to provide for continuation of present congressional districts
- 5 until a certain time; to provide for other matters relative to the foregoing; to provide an
- 6 effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 SECTION 1.

- 9 Chapter 1 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general
- 10 provisions regarding elections, is amended by striking the description of Congressional
- Districts 1 through 13 immediately following the second sentence of subsection (a) of Code
- 12 Section 21-1-2, relating to the designation of congressional districts, and inserting in its place
- the description of Congressional Districts 1 through 13 attached to this Act and made a part
- 14 hereof and further identified as "Plan Name: Propcong06 Plan Type: Congress User: Staff
- 15 Administrator: H036".

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SECTION 2.

- 17 Said chapter is further amended by striking subsection (c) of Code Section 21-1-2, relating
- 18 to the designation of congressional districts, and inserting in its place a new subsection (c)
- 19 to read as follows:
- 20 "(c) The first members elected pursuant to the provisions of this Code section shall be
- 21 those who are elected to take office in January, $\frac{2007}{2009}$. Successors to those members
- and future successors shall likewise be elected under the provisions of this Code section.
- Until that time the members of the United States House of Representatives elected in 2004
- 24 <u>2006</u> shall continue to serve and, for all purposes relative to membership in the House of
- 25 Representatives, the composition of congressional districts from which such members were

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1 elected shall remain the same. The provisions of this Code section shall be effective for

- 2 the primaries and elections of $\frac{2006}{2008}$ for the purpose of electing the members in $\frac{2006}{2008}$
- 3 2008 who are to take office in 2007 2009. For the purpose of appointing or electing
- 4 members of boards or bodies where such are made on the basis of congressional districts,
- 5 the provisions of this Code section shall be effective January 1, 2007 2009."
- 6 SECTION 3.
- 7 This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law
- 8 without such approval.
- 9 SECTION 4.
- 10 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.